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E.O. 11652: GDS  
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SUBJECT: TERRORIST ACTIVITIES AGAINST JUDGES AND PUBLIC PROSECUTORS

1. ON APRIL 11 A MAJOR TRIAL BEGINS IN BERLIN INVOLVING SIX MEMBERS OF NOTORIOUS "JUNE 2 MOVEMENT." THEY WILL BE TRIED FOR MURDER OF BERLIN CHIEF JUSTICE DRENKMANN IN 1974 AND FOR KIDNAPPING OF BERLIN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PRESIDENT LORENZ IN 1975. THIS TRIAL IS EXPECTED TO LAST AT LEAST A YEAR. ALSO SCHEDULED FOR THIS MONTH ARE THREE OTHER TRIALS AGAINST JUNE 2 MEMBERS, ONE OF WHICH HAS ALREADY BEGUN.

2. AS EMBASSY IS AWARE, EVIDENCE EXISTS THAT MEMBERS OF THE JUNE 2 MOVEMENT ARE IN TOUCH WITH AND COLLABORATE WITH THE ITALIAN RED BRIGADES. THE LATEST EDITION OF THE ANARCHIST PUBLICATION IN BERLIN KNOWN AS "BUG-INFO" REPORTS FORMATION OF A "JUNE 2 TRIAL" COMMITTEE, WHICH WILL STRUGGLE AGAINST "SECRET POLICE JUSTICE." THE PUBLICATION ASSERTS THAT THE MORO KIDNAPPING CONTAINS LESSONS FOR BERLIN, AND THAT "WE SHOULD USE OUR IMAGINATION WELL AND DRAW THE APPROPRIATE CONCLUSIONS." IT

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CLAIMS THAT JUNE 2 MEMBERS FROM BERLIN WERE ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN MORO KIDNAPPING BY "TYING UP ROME'S TELEPHONE NET" AND CREATING TRAFFIC CHAOS DURING GETAWAY PERIOD.

3. BRITISH, FRENCH, AND US MISSIONS IN BERLIN ARE STUDYING SECURITY CONSIDERATIONS ARISING FROM TRIALS. PHYSICAL

SECURITY FOR COURT ROOM PREMISES HAS BEEN COVERED,  
ADEQUATELY WE THINK. THERE REMAINS, HOWEVER, CONCERN  
ABOUT THE SAFETY OF JUDGES AND PROSECUTORS. THEY HAVE  
POLICE BODYGUARDS, BUT ARE THEMSELVES UNARMED. WE UNDER-  
STAND THAT IN ITALY THE RED BRIGADES HAVE HARASSED,  
THREATENED AND/OR ATTACKED JUDGES, PROSECUTORS AND JURORS  
CONCERNED WITH THEIR TRIALS.

4. GIVEN THE CLOSE IDENTITY OF TACTICS BETWEEN RED  
BRIGADES AND GERMAN TERRORISTS, WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT  
IF EMBASSY COULD DESCRIBE RED BRIGADE ACTIONS AGAINST  
JUDGES ET AL, AND WHAT MEASURES HAVE BEEN TAKEN FOR THEIR  
PERSONAL PROTECTION. GEORGE

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